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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM HARTMAN

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TAGS: OVIP (HARTMAN, ARTHUR A.)

SUBJECT: ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN'S VISIT TO ROME

REF: ROME 5988

1. IN VIEW OF CURRENT ITALIAN POLITICAL CRISIS AND OF
SPECULATIVE PLAY-UP IN ITALIAN PRESS AS TO PURPOSE OF MY
COMING TO ROME, I HAVE DECIDED NOT TO PROCEED WITH VISIT.
I APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS TO ARRANGE A PROGRAM, AND REGRET
ANY INCONVENIENCE CANCELLATION MIGHT CAUSE.

2. IF IT IS NECESSARY TO SAY ANYTHING PUBLICLY, EMBASSY
SHOULD SAY ONLY THAT WHILE I HAVE FOR SOME TIME HOPED TO
VISIT ROME, PRESSURE OF OTHER BUSINESS MAKES IT IMPOSSIBLE
TO DO SO JUST NOW. KISSINGER

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